GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Transport Department – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri A.Ranganatham, Senior Assistant (Retd.) and (4) others – Appointment of Inquiring Authority – Orders – Issued.

TRANSPORT, ROADS AND BUILDINGS (VIG.III.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 664

Dated: 13.07.2010. Read the following:-

1) Proceedings of Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad R.No.16411/V1/00-1 to 5, Dated 6.2.2006.

- Orders of Hon'ble Tribunal Dated 5.12.2008 in O.A. Nos.1092/2006, 990/2006, 911/2006, 2584/2006 and 8897/2008.
- 3) Proceedings of Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad R.No.16411/V4/2000, Dated 19.2.2009.
- 4) Proceedings of Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad R.No.16411/V4/2000, Dated 23.3.2009.
- 5) Charge Memo.No.16411/V4/2000-1 to 4 of Transport Commissioner, Hyderabad Dated 15.4.2009.
- 6) G.O.Ms. & Rt.No.223,1167, TR&B (Vig.III) Deptt., Dated 15.10.2009.
- 7) Written Statements of defence submitted by the charged officers.
- 8) From the Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad Lr.No.16411/V4/2000, Dated 29.6.2010.

ORDER:

In the Proceedings 1st read above, orders have been issued imposing the punishment of dismissal from service against Sri A.Ranganatham, Sr.Asst. Sri M.Nagaraja Reddy, Sr.Asst., Sri P.Mahaboob Khan, Sr.Asst., Sri U.John Paul, Sr.Asst. and Sri B.Venkata Prasad, Jr.Asst. on the allegation of misappropriation of Government money.

- 2. Against the said orders, the delinquent officers have filed certain O.A. before the Honourable Tribunal. The Hon'ble Tribunal in its orders 2nd read above, duly prescribing time limit, inter-alia while quashing the impugned orders, have directed to reinstate the applicants into service and ordered that it is always left open for the competent authority to punish the applicants by conducting the enquiry strictly in accordance with the Rules.
- 3. In the Proceedings 3rd & 4th read above, the Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad has reinstated the delinquents who are in service duly treating the period of dismissal as on duty continuously and in respect of Sri A. Ranganatham, Sr.Asst. who retired from service, has issued orders for treating the period from the date of dismissal to date of retirement as on duty and for payment of arrears.
- 4. In the references 5^{th} and 6^{th} read above, disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against all the delinquents for which they submitted their written statements of defence and requested to drop further action against them.
- 5. In his letter 8th read above, the Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad has informed since the A.P.A.T in its common orders 2nd read above have stipulated certain time limit to conclude the disciplinary proceedings, he filed four W.Ps. before the Honourable High Court of A.P. and the Honourable High Court granted interim orders against the orders of A.P.A.T. in two W.Ps and in respect of remaining two W.Ps. are being filed. In respect of A.Ranganatham, Sr.Asst. (Retd.) the

Hon'ble Tribunal has not stipulated any time limit for finalisation of disciplinary proceedings.

- 6. Government after careful examination of the matter, has observed that the irregularity on the part of the charged officers is grave causing loss of Govt. money to an extent of Rs.4.98 lakhs by way of (1) by over writing the words and figures by interpolating the thousands column before hundreds column in original challans in certain cases and (2) by not remitting money to Govt. Account in certain cases by certain staff; that the person by name "Siddha" is a private person working on behalf of the charged officers; that allowing of private/unauthorised person to work in the office is a grave irregularity and thus the explanations have no merits and therefore decided to appoint an Inquiring Authority to conduct detailed enquiry into the matter.
- 7. Accordingly, Government, in exercise of the powers conferred under sub-rule (2) of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh, Civil Services (CC&A) Rules 1991 read with Rule 24 of the said rules, hereby appoint Sri M.Basi Reddy, Deputy Transport Commissioner, Chittoor as Inquiring Authority to conduct for common enquiry into the charges framed against the following officers:--
 - 1) Sri A.Ranganatham, Sr.Asst. (Retd.)
 - 2) Sri M.Nagaraja Reddy, Sr.Asst.,
 - 3) Sri P.Mahaboob Khan, Sr.Asst.,
 - 4) Sri U.John Paul, Sr.Asst. and
 - 5) Sri B. Venkata Prasad, Jr. Asst
- 8. The Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad shall furnish all the relevant records/documents connected with the inquiry to the Inquiring Authority through the Presenting Officer.
- 9. The copies of Charge Memos. And Written Statements of defence submitted by the Charged Officers along with the orders of appointment of Presenting Officer are enclosed herewith.
- 10. The Inquiring Authority is further informed that since the Hon'ble Andhra Pradesh, Administrative Tribunal has stipulated time limit to finalise the disciplinary proceedings, he is requested to conduct the enquiry on day to day basis and furnish his enquiry report within (20) days without fail.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF GOVERNOR OF ANDHRAPRADESH)

S.P.SINGH PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri M.Basi Reddy, Deputy Transport Commissioner, Chittoor through Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad. (w.e.)

The Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The individuals concerned through T.C. A.P. Hyderabad.

Copy to:

Sri E.Meera Prasad, Regional Transport Officer, Nandyal & Presenting Officer.

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SECTION OFFICER